

# **FISCAL NOTE**

## **HB 420 - SB 1712**

March 30, 2005

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Prohibits a person from using the designation “physician,” “osteopathic physician,” “MD” or “DO” in advertising unless the person is licensed as such. Authorizes the Board of Medical Examiners to investigate alleged violations and to issue civil penalties when violations are found to have occurred. Any violation is considered a Class B misdemeanor.

### **ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

**Increase State Expenditures – Not Significant**  
**Increase State Revenues – Not Significant**

**Increase Local Govt. Expenditures – Not Significant**  
**Increase Local Govt. Revenues – Not Significant**

#### **Assumptions:**

- The Board of Medical Examiners will not incur a significant increase in expenditures for any increase in complaint investigations or resulting disciplinary actions.
- Some increase in cases in the court system, which will result in additional state and local government expenditures for processing the cases and additional state and local government revenues from fees, taxes, and costs collected. However, such increases will not be significant.

### **CERTIFICATION:**

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James W. White, Executive Director